

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0014] with the following amended paragraph:

[0014] Figure 3 is a sectional view of the latch assembly looking in the direction of arrows [[3-3']] 3-3 of Figure 2.

Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following amended paragraph:

[0023] Figure 2 is an enlarged view of the mattress holding portion of the bedrail of Figure 1. Figure 3 is a sectional view of Figure 2 looking in the direction of arrows [[3.3']] 3-3 and Figure 4 is partially sectionized view of the structure of Figure 2 looking in the directions of arrows [[4-4']] 4-4 and further showing brackets B1 pivotally mounting locking arm 15 by means of a pivot pin P, only one assembly being described for purposes of simplicity. Hollow tubular member 16 has an opening 16b for receiving a projection 15a of the locking arm 15. As locking arm 15 is moved to dotted line position 15', the forward tip [[T]] 15b of projection 15a moves away from opening 16b, enabling the arm 16a to be moved relative to tubular portion 16 to adjust to the height of a mattress M.

Please replace paragraph [0033] with the following amended paragraph:

[0033] The projecting portion 30a has a locking/release button 44 shown in Figures 6, 9, and 10. When the rail portion 22 is in the upright position as shown in Figures 5 and 7, a locking button 50 that is spring loaded by internal spring bias means 51 (both shown in Figures 9 and 10) locks arms 39a and 30a in the upright

position by engaging hole 52 in arm 30a. In order to facilitate climbing onto and off of the bed, buttons 44 (on both supporting portions) are pressed in to remove button 50 from the opening 52 in corner bracket 30 to enable rail portion 22 to freely pivot about pivot pin ~~[[41]]~~ 42, enabling the rail portion to pivot in the counterclockwise direction shown by arrow C in Figure 5 so as to move the rail portion to a downward position whereby the sides 25 and 26 are substantially aligned with the slideable members 38. In this lowered position, the button 44, which is biased downward by an internal bias spring 45, engaged an angled holding hole 47 that holds the rail in the lowered position. The button 44 can be released from this holding hole 47, allowing the rail portion to be raised by pivoting the rail assembly about pivot members ~~[[41]]~~ 42. When the rail assembly reaches the upright position, the locking button 50 automatically locks into position through hole 52 by pressing the button 44 back through hole 52. As can be understood, the force exerted by spring 51 attached to the button 50 is greater than that exerted by spring 45 attached to button 44.

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph:

[0039] In the event that further holding forces are desired, the fastener ~~[[38]]~~ 64 coupled to the free end of web 37 may be snapped-fitted into a cooperating locking member 65 coupled to one end of the second elongated web 62 whose opposite end is

coupled to an elongated plate 63 which may be positioned to engage a sidewall of the mattress M on the opposite side of the mattress from that along which the rail is mounted. The lower end of member 63 engages a sidewall of ~~the box spring~~ a box spring BS (not shown) thereby holding the bed rail assembly in place. Either web 37 or web 62 or both, are adjustable to adjust the distance between L-shaped bracket 35, engaging one side-wall of the mattress and member 63 engaging the opposite side wall of the mattress. Base member 34 may be provided with a similar structure.